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Russell Herman Conwell

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The following resolution was passed by the Third Arch Convocation of Theta Upsilon Omega Fraternity, meeting in Worcester, Massachusetts, on December 31, 1925:

WHEREAS, On December sixth, nineteen hundred and twenty-five, God in His Almighty Providence saw fit to remove from our midst a most worthy and esteemed brother, Doctor Russell H. Conwell, Honorary Member of Epsilon Alpha Chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega; and

WHEREAS, In full realization of his life of service as educator, philanthropist, and benefactor of mankind, and in further realization of the unselfish and untiring efforts he put forth in aiding thousands of young men to attain the highest aims of life; and

WHEREAS, Realizing that not only has the world lost a devoted servant of humanity, but that we also have lost a loyal and devoted brother; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Third Arch Convocation mourns the loss of our esteemed brother, and bows in reverence before an all-wise Providence; further let it be

Resolved, That we hold ever before us the example of his noble and generous life.

Doctor Conwell's Life One of Service to Mankind

The passing on December sixth of Doctor Russell H. Conwell, honorary member of the Epsilon Alpha chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega and president of Temple University, was an inestimable loss to the entire fraternity as well as to the thousands of men and women whom he had befriended and aided. Dr. Conwell was eighty-two years old. He had been failing in health for more than a year and about ten weeks previous to his death was operated upon for cancer of the bladder. Although his condition following this operation had seemed satisfactory, he took a sudden turn for the worse, but retained consciousness to the end, bidding farewell to his only daughter, Mrs. Nina C. Tuttle. His only son, Leon Conwell, mayor of Somerville, Massachusetts, was unable to reach Philadelphia before the end came.

Funeral Services Impressive

Funeral services were held at ten-thirty o'clock on the morning of December ninth in the Grace Baptist Temple, of which Dr. Conwell had been pastor since 1882. Long before that hour a silent line gathered along Broad Street before the doors of the church. By seven o'clock there were three hundred waiting there, and by nine o'clock when the doors were opened, there were five hundred.

The funeral services were attended by three thousand mourners among whom were delegates from various ministerial associations of the city, as well as representatives of all classes and creeds. Bishop Joseph F. Berry, of the Philadelphia area of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the Holy Trinity, assisted in the services. Rev. Dr. William Dyre McCurdy, associate pastor of Dr. Conwell's church, was in charge of the services.

The service was begun with an organ prelude by Frederick E. Starke, the church organist, after which the invocation was offered by Bishop Berry. Then followed one of Dr. Conwell's favorite hymns, "The Shining Shore," sung by the Temple Chorus. The Scripture was read by Rev. Rittenhouse Neiser, after which an

eulogy by the Rev. Dr. Forrest E. Dager, an intimate friend of Dr. Conwell, and professor of homiletics in the Department of Theology of Temple University.

William S. Boddy sang another favorite hymn, "No Night There" and the Rev. Groves W. Drew, secretary of the Baptist Ministerial Association of Philadelphia, spoke on Dr. Conwell's life. Following the singing of the anthem, "Open the Gates of the Temple" by the Temple Chorus, Rev. Charles E. Miller, an associate pastor of Grace Temple, and Dr. Floyd W. Tomkins, rector of Holy Trinity and president of the Federation of Churches of Philadelphia, spoke. The services were closed with a hymn and the benediction.

Dr. Conwell's body was placed temporarily in a vault in Monument Cemetery, which is opposite the church on Broad Street. Later it will be removed for interment beside the grave of his father and mother, near South Worthington, Massachusetts.

Fortune Given to Charity

Dr. Conwell had vast interests all his life, and was one of the most active clergymen in the country. During his career he was successively farm boy, lawyer, soldier, immigration agent, newspaper correspondent, Baptist minister, lecturer, author, philanthropist, and university president. He was widely known as the "penniless millionaire," and is said to have earned more than $11,000,000 on the lecture platform and by his books, all of which he gave to charity. He died almost penniless. Only recently he mortgaged his home and used the proceeds for improvements to Samaritan Hospital, which he founded. He also founded Garretson Hospital.

Author of Many Books

As a lecturer, Dr. Conwell is said to have addressed more people than any contemporary. He memorized twenty-eight lectures, all of which he gave without notes. He had delivered his lecture "Acres of Diamonds" 6,152 times, the first time when he was sixteen years old. He was the author of many books, two of which, "The Life of Bayard Taylor" and "The Life of Char'es H. Spurgeon" had very large sales. His first volume was published in 1884, "Why the Chinese Emigrate." Others included "Life of President Hayes," "Lives of the Presidents," "Life of Presi-

dent Garfield," "The New Day," "How to Live the Christ Life," "Lessons of Travel," "Nature's Aristocracy," and "How a Soldier May Succeed After the War." His most recent biography is that of John Wanamaker, who, before his death, requested Dr. Conwell to do this work.

His Varied Experiences

Dr. Conwell was educated at the old Wilbraham Academy, at the Yale Law School, which he left to enter the Civil War, and the Albany Law School. He was admitted to the bar and practiced at Minneapolis in 1865. In 1867 he went abroad as an immigration agent for Minnesota, and while in Europe was correspondent for the *New York Tribune* and *The Boston Traveler*. Meanwhile he was studying for the ministry, and was ordained in the Baptist Church in 1879. Two years later he assumed his first charge at Grace Church, Philadelphia, and remained there ten years. He then built the Baptist Temple, and founded Temple University in 1844.

Dr. Conwell's first wife was Miss Jennie P. Hayden, of Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, whom he married in 1865. She died a few years later, and in 1874 he married Miss Sarah F. Sanborn, of Newton, Massachusetts, who preceded him in death. An autobiography of Dr. Conwell appeared in April, 1924, issue of the Omegan.

Doctor Conwell and Theta Upsilon Omega

Carey W. O'Nan
Past Arch Recorder

True to his belief that in unity there is strength, Dr. Conwell gave his support to organizations for the betterment of humanity, and to aid those whose efforts were to advance themselves in the world.

Dr. Conwell never opposed college fraternities, but saw the good in these organizations and their advantage to a college or university. On one occasion I went to his home to talk with him about certain matters relative to our chapter and he assured me

that we had his utmost support in any worthy endeavor, and added "We want more college fraternities at Temple, and we want more fraternities owning or living in houses. When we want a man to lead in any school activity the fraternity men are the ones to whom we look first."

Dr. Conwell first became associated with us while we were local, and was initiated into Kappa Sigma Phi on February 18, 1925, at 8:30 P.M. Seven of us went to his house at 2020 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, and performed the ritual. As his dining room could be more easily closed from the other part of the house, we were taken to that room for the ceremonies. We presented him with a certificate of membership in Kappa Sigma Phi, which was later hung on the wall of his room. As we sat and talked with him after the initiation, he glanced about the room and said, "Again the mystic seven appears in my life; there are just seven of you fellows who came to do me this honor, the figure seven has appeared often in my life, there are seven letters in, each, my first and last name," and he mentioned other instances when the figure seven had shown itself in his life.

On the memorable night of May 2, 1924, he became a member of Θ Υ Ω, along with hundreds of others. He promised us the honor of his presence at our banquet to commemorate the induction of the Epsilon Alpha Chapter into Theta Upsilon Omega, on May 22, 1924, but due to the failure of his health he was unable to attend. It was not until 5 P.M. of that day that he sent the message saying, "I cannot attend as I am unable to leave my bed."

At the close of the second annual Convocation of Θ Υ Ω held at the Epsilon Alpha Chapter House, reservations were made at the Grace Baptist Church for the delegation and officers who attended the Sunday morning services in a body to hear Dr. Conwell from the pulpit, and it was there that these members had an opportunity to meet Dr. Conwell.

And then we come to Mothers' Day, of May, 1925, when the members of Epsilon Alpha Chapter had arranged for their parents to attend the Sunday morning services with them in a body. When Dr. Conwell did not appear in the pulpit and an announcement was made that he would have to discontinue his church work in-

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Satisfactory Progress Noted at Worcester Convocation

The Third Arch Convocation, meeting at the Beta Alpha chapter house in Worcester, Massachusetts, on December thirtieth and thirty-first of last year, was featured by the clockwork precision with which the business of each session was transacted. The regular sessions were preceded by a meeting of the Executive Council at eight P.M. on Tuesday, December twenty-ninth, and a meeting of the Arch Council in the forenoon of the following day. At these meetings a large amount of routine work was transacted. The reports of committees and officers were read and correlated and put into proper form for presentation to the Arch Convocation. In some cases it was found expedient to combine portions of different reports for presentation under a common heading. At the meeting of the Arch Council, Brother J. N. Danehower was elected to fill the vacancy in the office of Arch Recorder resulting from the resignation of Brother O'Nan. The unexpired term which Brother Danehower will fill is two years.

C. W. O'Nan
Past Arch Recorder

Arch Officers Report Progress

The first session of the Convocation was opened at three o'clock on Wednesday, December thirtieth, in the recently enlarged assembly room of the chapter house by an address of welcome by A. W. Haley, master of the host chapter. Arch Master Stevens in his reply voiced the visitor's appreciation of the hospitality shown them. The reports of the Arch Officers concerning their activities of the year indicated that the administrative machinery of the national organization had operated as smoothly as the coöperation of the member chapters had permitted. In almost every

case it was noted that distinct progress had been made in standardizing the work of each office. The work of officers in an organization such as this is often largely a matter of precedent and tradition. During these first years of our national organization our Arch Officers are faced with the responsibility of establishing precedent and determining policies which will serve as guides to their successors and may have an important bearing on the future success of the fraternity. The reports made at the Convocation indicated that progressive steps have been taken in the right direction.

A Group of Arch Convocation Delegates

Following the presentation and acceptance of the reports of the Arch Officers, the delegates of the active and associate chapters presented reports of their respective groups. These reports dealt with scholastic standings of the chapters, pledging problems, activities of members, house and chapter financing problems, and the outlook for the future. It was evident from these reports that house financing plans were uppermost in the minds of a large percentage of the members of the individual groups. The chapters not owning their chapter houses are actively working out schemes to build or to buy, and several of those owning their chapter homes are looking forward to larger and better quarters.

A recess was called following these reports and the evening was spent by committee meetings and a meeting of the Arch Council which lasted from the hour of ten P.M. until twelve-forty-five P.M.

Business Finished on Thursday

The second session of the Convocation opened on the following morning at half past eight o'clock, and was devoted first to the unfinished business of the first sessions and then to the regular calendar. The former included a review of the acts of the Arch Council and the Executive Council. Following this, certain amendments to the constitution and general by-laws were passed upon and a final disposition was made of the question of forms of recognition of Past Arch and Past Chapter Officers. In the matter of recognition of Past Arch Officers, the Convocation abided by the opinion of the Arch Council, which was that "the Arch Council is of the opinion that no special recognition of past services of the Arch Officers be made, the Officers themselves feeling that the honor of the office which they have held and the respect which accrues to that office are all that can be expected." With regard to retiring chapter officers, the member chapters were urged to present each retiring master with a suitably marked gavel as a token of appreciation of his services during his term of office. The recommendations of the various members of the Arch Council were then discussed and action was taken upon them. It is significant that the scheduled business of the morning's session was completed just ten minutes ahead of schedule.

The third and last session of the Arch Convocation was called at half past one o'clock, Thursday afternoon. Its main business consisted of the election of officers for those offices which expired at this time. These included the offices of Arch Master, Arch Visitor, Arch Editor, two Junior Councilors, and a chairman of the finance committee. Arch Master James E. Stevens was reëlected for a period of three years and Arch Editor M. E. Jansson for a term of two years. L. H. Braun, Delta Alpha, '23, was elected Arch Visitor. After a considerable contest Thomas H. Gibson, Lambda

Arch Council of 1925

Alpha, and Haydn S. Pearson, Theta Alpha were elected Junior Councilors for one year terms. Brother Hugh Nevin, whose advice and counsel have been such a great aid to the fraternity in the past, was reëlected chairman of the Finance Committee. The new officers, with the exception of the Arch Visitor, who was unable to be present, were duly installed and the official work of the Convocation was brought to a close at five-thirty P.M.

Banquet on New Year's Eve

The climax of the Convocation came on New Year's Eve with the annual banquet. This was arranged at the commodious club rooms of the Square and Compass Club, 773 Main Street, Worcester

Campus of Worcester Polytechnic Institute

and was attended by a large number of the alumni of Beta Alpha chapter in addition to the Convocation delegates and guests from other chapters. Jerome W. Howe, Beta Alpha, '09, who is now Assistant Professor in the Civil Engineering Department at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, acted as toastmaster. Brother Howe is already well known to most of our readers, and handled the duties of toastmaster in a most capable and polished manner. The speakers of the evening were Arch Master Stevens, who outlined the goal to be striven for in the future development of the fraternity, Hugh Nevin, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and Arch Ritualist A. J. Weston. Brother Weston presented the retiring Arch Recorder, Carey W. O'Nan, with a silver cigarette case

as a token from the Arch Officers of last year of their esteem for him and their appreciation of his services to the fraternity.

The guests of the banquet were returned to the chapter house in time to usher in the New Year with three lusty cheers.

All of the Arch Officers of the past year were present at the Convocation with the exception of Arch Visitor K. L. Cober, who found himself at the last moment unable to be present. The official chapter delegates to the convocation were: Robert E. Johnson, Beta Alpha; Thomas L. Hall, Gamma Alpha; M. E. Potter, Delta Alpha; C. R. Mease, Epsilon Alpha; R. N. Edwards, Zeta Alpha; Lyle W. Ohlander, Eta Alpha; Haydn S. Pearson, Theta Alpha; Vananda J. Meyl, Iota Alpha; A. W. Goldiere, Kappa Alpha; Thomas H. Gibson, Lambda Alpha; S. Earl Slaughter, Beta Beta; and Albert S. Olofson, Gamma Beta. The following official alternates were present: S. W. Hall, Beta Alpha; Irving D. Felter, Gamma Alpha; John A. Kellner, Gamma Alpha; Walter D. Wilkinson, Lambda Alpha; Robert L. Hammond and C. W. Hostettler, Beta Beta. Organized associate chapters sent the following delegates: L. W. Howell, Beta Alpha; A. Harold Peters, Gamma Alpha; J. N. Danehower, Epsilon Alpha; G. Merrill Lenox, Epsilon Alpha; Donald G. Barton, Theta Alpha; O'Key J. Allison, Kappa Alpha; and Samuel W. McGinness, Lambda Alpha. John P. Nevin came as the representative of the Pittsburgh Club, and L. W. Geisler, Business Manager of the OMEGAN, represented that office.

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Convocation Guests Entertained by Beta Alpha Chapter

An outstanding feature of the Third Arch Convocation which will linger long in the memory of the delegates and visitors who attended, was the unstinted hospitality which was shown to every guest by the members of Beta Alpha chapter. The writer arrived in Worcester at 5:43 o'clock on the cold morning of December thirtieth and upon emerging from the sleeping car about seven o'clock found on the platform a shivering but cheerful brother from Beta Alpha, identified by an armband, who greeted him and ushered him to a taxicab. The arriving guest was not permitted even to pay his own taxi fare.

At the chapter house the visitor found an information desk on the second floor, and he was shown to a room which had been reserved for him. Those who were not accommodated in the Beta Alpha chapter house were put up in the neighboring house of Phi Sigma Kappa, which had very graciously been lent by that fraternity to the Worcester chapter for the accommodation of its convocation guests. The information table referred to above fulfilled its purpose in every sense of the word. A member of the host chapter was seated at it at all hours of the day and night, always ready to be of service.

A thoughtful service performed by the Beta Alpha boys which contributed to the peace of mind of many a delegate and officer was the messenger service by which railroad tickets were purchased and reservations made for any who desired this assistance. An important branch of the messenger service ran, too, to a nearby tailoring and pressing establishment.

Those visitors who had arrived on December twenty-ninth were escorted on a tour of inspection of the Worcester Polytechnic Institute campus and buildings by Arch Scribe A. J. Knight, who is a member of the faculty of that institution and superintendent of buildings.

When sessions of the convocation were being held, the assembly room was converted into a dining room at each mealtime and back again for the next session. This was in itself no small task for the members of the host chapter. The food served was excellent in selection and quality and well prepared and served. The Beta

Alpha boys took special pains that the dining room service should be smooth and without a hitch. And it was. A large gathering was served promptly and with no delays. The meals were not rushed through, yet there was ample time for a smoke and a chat, the exchange of ideas and cementing of friendships, before the opening of the business sessions. Much credit is due to Brother A. W. Haley, master of Beta Alpha chapter, for his efficient management and supervision of all of the details which meant so much to the success of the Convocation.

The New Members of the Arch Council

The Arch Visitor

Leonard H. Braun, although unable to be present at the last Arch Convocation, was elected to the office of Arch Visitor. His election came largely as a result of the lasting favorable impression that he made at the previous Arch Convocation in Philadelphia, which he attended as the delegate of the Delta Alpha Associate Chapter. Brother Braun was born in Joliet, Illinois, January 2, 1902, attended grammar and high schools there, and is now making his home in that city.

L. H. Braun

Len Braun, as he is familiarly known, entered the University of Illinois in the fall of 1919, and graduated with the degree of Bachelor of Science in Industrial Administration in 1923. During his undergraduate days Len was an active campus politician. He participated in much of the work of the Illinois Union, served on committees too numerous to mention, and found time besides to play in the Concert Band and the Symphony Orchestra. During his Senior year he was chairman of the Class

Day Committee and head of the student drive for funds for the building of the Illinois Memorial Stadium. The year after his graduation he was called back to the University to organize the 1924 student drive for additional funds for the completion of the Stadium.

Following his graduation Brother Braun entered his father's business, and is now secretary of the Braun Memorial Art Company of Joliet. On July 19, 1924, he was married to Miss Catherine H. Hastings, also a graduate of the University of Illinois and a member of Gamma Phi Beta sorority.

Len is active as a Mason and is also a member of the Rotary Club, the University Club of Joliet, the Joliet Country Club, the Joliet Symphony Orchestra, and is chairman of the Membership Committee of the Joliet Chamber of Commerce. He has been active ever since going into business in the organization known as the Memorial Craftsmen of Illinois. At the convention of that association held in January he was reëlected to serve another year as secretary-treasurer of the state body. Such a list of accomplishments seems almost unbelievable for so young a man as Brother Braun, especially in view of the fact that Joliet is no small hamlet, but a good-sized industrial center.

Len's interest in fraternity work has always been keen. While in school he served as Recorder of the active chapter. He was one of a committee which organized the Delta Alpha Associate Chapter in 1923, and he served two years as its secretary-treasurer. He is now serving a two year term as Master of the associate chapter.

The Arch Convocation did well in selecting Brother Braun as Arch Visitor. There are few men in the fraternity more suited to the position. He combines a rare faculty for making friends with a generous amount of good old-fashioned reliability. When Len undertakes to do a thing, it is done, and done well.

Junior Councilor

Lambda Alpha chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega attained at its installation, and has maintained since, a position of prominence in fraternal and campus activities at Westminster College that barely admits competition. There are no student activities in which it is not represented and few which it does not lead. Particularly proud is the chapter of its master, Thomas H. Gibson, whose election to the office of Junior Councilor at the convocation in Worcester caused rejoicing throughout the entire school.

T. H. Gibson

Since entering Westminster four years ago, Gibson has gained for himself and Lambda Alpha honors and distinctions that have made him one of the most prominent men on the campus, and have been the largest factors, probably, in raising Theta Upsilon Omega to her present high rating in the school. He is a member of two of the most influential campus organizations, the Inter-Fraternity Council and the Intra-Mural Board, and was a member of the Y.M.C.A. cabinet last year. The chapter was honored, and his own ability recognized recently, when he was elected representative of the college to the Princeton World Court Conference.

Gibson has been on the staff of the *Holcad*, the student publication, since his freshman year, and is editor this year. He was athletic editor of the school annual which his class published last year. His journalistic activities have been rewarded by admission to Tau Gamma Alpha.

In addition to these activities, Gibson's versatility is evidenced by his intra-mural and class athletic record. He played class basketball two years, was a member of the freshman squad in the annual freshman-sophomore grid battle, and captained the squad his second year. In intra-mural athletics, Gibson has played fraternity basketball four years, baseball two years, and tennis one year.

Junior Councilor

Haydn S. Pearson, newly elected Junior Councilor, is not a member of Phi Beta Kappa. There seems to be only one reason why he is not—that worthy organization has not yet seen fit to establish a chapter at the University of New Hampshire, where Brother Pearson is nearing the close of his senior year. He has, however, made the most of the existing honorary fraternities on the New Hampshire campus, including Phi Kappa Phi, Pi Gamma (honorary biological), Book and Scroll, the Sphinx, and Pi Delta, the debating forum. He is president of the last named organization.

H. S. Pearson

Brother Pearson has taken an active part in the affairs of Θ Υ Ω, not only on the campus of his own university, but also in the national organization. He was the delegate of Theta Alpha chapter to the past Arch Convocation. As Herald of that chapter it has been his duty to furnish the OMEGAN with news of its activities, a duty which he has performed well and promptly. He also is editor of the chapter paper, the *Theta Alphian*. Faithfulness in the performance of these smaller tasks augurs well for the larger ones which are to fall to him, not merely in the present year, but in time to come, for Brother Pearson is a man whom we expect to do big things.

Lest we have given the impression in the preceding paragraph that his chief attribute is an old-dog-Tray variety of faithfulness, we hasten to add that Cy is also an exceptionally talented man. He has written for newspapers and weeklies for several years, his latest published work being a series of weekly features for the *Boston Sunday Post*. He will be remembered as the contributor of "Coming Through in Fraternity Life," which appeared in the October, 1925, issue of the OMEGAN.

A sketch of Arch Recorder J. N. Danchower will appear in the May issue.

Bert F. Griffin, Γ B, '27, University of California Football Captain

Theta Upsilon Omega Proud of Four 1926 Football Captains

Of the twelve institutions at which there are chapters of Θ Υ Ω, eleven participate in intercollegiate football. Stevens Institute of Technology, where football has been banned for the past two years, is the only exception. At these eleven schools, Θ Υ Ω men are well represented on the squads, and this year the fraternity has the unusual distinction of claiming as its members the captains-elect of four of the Varsity teams. These include the University of California, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Temple University, and Westminster College.

The story of the rise of Bert Griffin to the captaincy of the 1926 University of California football team rivals fiction. How he waited on the sidelines game after game, and then, when by chance he had an opportunity to play in the most important game of the year, how he saved the day for California; it surpasses the wildest dreams of the lowliest aspirant for gridiron honors.

The new captain at Westminster College is the third member of Lambda Alpha chapter in succession to hold that coveted position.

The interesting stories of these four captains, who next fall will bring honor to their schools and to Θ Υ Ω, are told below by the men who know them best, fellow members of their own chapters.

Bert F. Griffin

F. LeRoy Cummings, Γ B, '26

Sport Writer for the Oakland Post-Enquirer

"Bert Griffin, '27, elected captain of the 1926 California Varsity football team!"

This was the happy news that came over the wire to Gamma Beta a few months ago as the boys sat before the fire wondering if such a thing were too good to be true.

It was rather a quiet gang. Stanford had defeated the California eleven a few hours before for the first time since 1905. The score was 27-14. And those 14 points all came through the action of "Bull" Griffin. For Theta Upsilon Omega it was as the *Daily*

Californian said, "not the end of a perfect day, but the perfect end of a day."

Griffin's rise to the captaincy has been meteoric. Bert had played in only two games before the Stanford game of last year. No one considered him a possibility except the boys at the house, who had confidence in him. At the start of the second half the score was 6-0 in favor of Stanford. Griffin went in at fullback as a surprise, and before the Stanford team and some 100,000 spectators knew what it was all about "Bull" had carried the ball over the line for two touchdowns.

This season was almost a repetition of last.

Bert played everything in the backfie'd except quarterback and won the name of "All-American substitute" on the campus. When Captain Imlay was injured, Andy Smith was in dire need of a safety man, and he asked Bert if he could catch punts. Bert, who never had had much luck at it in the past, was determined to try. He said, "Sure, I can catch 'em." He played three games in Imlay's place at safety without a slip.

And then the Stanford game came once again with Griffin on the bench. The second half had started and the score was 20-0 in favor of Stanford.

Then the fiery determined Griffin came on the field. The ball was on the 35 yard line. It seemed a long way to a score and Stanford had outplayed California every minute. The Bear backfield men had not gained a yard and were disheartened. But boom, boom, boom, down the field he went. Imlay and Perrin carried the ball twice and Griffin did the rest, taking it 65 yards on short bucks without a stop.

That was good but the next was better. Griffin had bucked the ball down to Stanford's 39 yard line. Suddenly he cut loose off tackle, pushed the All-American Nevers' face in the mud with his straight arm and ran away from three other Stanford backs for a touchdown. Bert had outrun the three supposedly fastest backs on the coast.

Finally the glad news came that Griffin was elected captain, the first captain that Gamma Beta has ever had and the first time that one of the younger houses on the campus has won such an honor.

Griffin has been selected as a second all-coast halfback, and third all-coast fullback. Next year we are looking for Bert to be

the best on the coast and we have a peculiar feeling that his name will grace more than one All-American team in 1926.

Brother Griffin is twenty-one years old, married, and is studying in the college of letters and science with education as a major. His scholastic record has been very good. In addition to being a member of Θ Υ Ω he is a member of Phi Phi and the Golden Bear.

Leonard W. Lewis

A. M. Cheney, B A, '28

Brother Leonard W. Lewis of Beta Alpha was elected some time ago to lead the 1926 Crimson and Grey warriors of Worcester Polytechnic Institute on the gridiron. This great honor came to him and to Beta Alpha through the superb game "Ted" has played in his three years of Varsity Football here at Tech.

He started his career by playing for two years in Stevens High School of Claremont, New Hampshire, before coming to the Institute. Here he tried the positions of halfback, guard and center. Immediately upon his arrival at Tech he went onto the field and earned a Varsity "W" as regular center. His Sophomore year "Ted" came back as strong as ever and held down his old job, missing only two minutes of the total playing time of the season.

The past season has seen the best team in twenty years here at Tech and "Ted" again has been the outstanding stonewall defensive man in the line and is credited with playing every single minute of the entire season.

"Ted" is one of the smallest centers playing college football. He is five feet five inches tall and weighs only one hundred fifty pounds

yet in spite of his size he is about the best pivot man to be seen in action on Alumni Field for a number of years.

His position, though not one where spectacular football is played, is the key to the whole game. A center must make all the passes to the backfield and they must be made just at the proper time and carefully placed in order that not a second may be lost by a misplaced throw. He must bear the brunt of all the offensive and defensive plays. This requires a steady and reliable man. "Ted" has proven himself worthy in all of these respects. On the offensive his passes to the backs never went wrong while on the defensive he was consistently breaking up plays and 'pulling it down' making the center of the line an impregnable wall.

Brother Lewis is twenty years old and came to Tech from Claremont, New Hampshire, in 1923. He is very active on the Hill, being Assistant Manager of Basketball, present Treasurer and former Secretary of the Athletic Council. In spite of these activities "Ted's" scholastic standing is of the highest.

There is much material for a good team next year and under the guidance of Brother Lewis the prospects of 1926 look very bright.

Arthur B. Cresse

J. L. Vosburg, E A '27

Epsilon Alpha Chapter considers it a great honor that the captain of the Temple University football team for the season of 1926 is one of its members. At a banquet held in December in honor of the players, coaches, and managers, Brother Arthur B. Cresse, '27, was chosen by his team-mates for this coveted position. The speakers at the banquet, coaches "Heinie" Miller of Temple, Bill Roper of Princeton, and Lou Young of Pennsylvania, commended the team on its choice of a leader and expressed their confidence in his ability to guide the team through another successful season.

Ben, as he is fraternally called, formerly starred for Cape May High School in football, basketball, and track. He entered the Physical Education Department at Temple in 1923 and quickly assumed a position of leadership in school activities.

During the track season of 1924 and 1925, Brother Cresse was high scorer of the squad, winning in the winter season of the

latter year the standing high jump in the Middle Atlantic A.A.U. Championships. He was chosen captain of the track team in the same year.

During the past football season, Brother Cresse demonstrated his ability as a half and quarterback by being the second highest point scorer on the team.

Temple has chosen a schedule for next year which is in its own class and expects as successful a season as the past one, in which but one regularly scheduled game was lost. Ben Cresse will lead his team against Lebanon Valley and the Quantico Marines as a part of the Sesqui-Centennial celebration in the new municipal stadium. Other teams to be met are Muhlenburg, Rutgers, Ursinus, Susquehanna, and Washington College.

Besides his unusual athletic record, Brother Creese is a scholar of the highest grade, a member of the Blue Key honorary society, Phi Epsilon Kappa, national health education fraternity, and one of the most popular men in the entire school.

Paul Montgomery

J. P. Boyles, A A '26

The home of Paul Montgomery, Lambda Alpha, '27, is in New Castle, Pennsylvania. He entered Westminster College from Allegheny in 1923 and, although light in weight, immediately won for himself a guard position on the varsity eleven, making the remarkable record during the 1924 season of not missing a minute of play. He maintained his high standard throughout the past season, playing 31 of the 32 quarters, and was named on several All Tri-State Conference teams. He was the logical choice for captain of the 1926 team. His election took place at a meeting of the football letter men on December eighth. Montgomery is the third successive football captain supplied by the Lambda Alpha chapter. In addition to his football, Montgomery is a member of the track team, and placed second in the discus throw in the Tri-State meet last year in which six schools were entered.

Zeta Alpha Chapter

History of Zeta Alpha Chapter

R. T. Merwin, Z A '26

Zeta Alpha chapter exemplifies the truth of the adage, "As ye sow, so shall ye reap." It owes the present to the faith of a handful of student builders, who laid a strong and enduring foundation upon which each succeeding class has builded well.

These student builders, nine in all, Denzil King, '21; Ellis S. Smith, '21; A'met M. Case, '22; Walton D. Galbraith, '22; Jesse A. Thompson, '22; Worthington Candrick, '23; Lyell Carr, '23; Frank Summerfield, '23; and Harold Jones, '25—desiring to band together so that their common interests might be cherished, met in a small dormitory room in November, 1920. There, in East College, a small local fraternity was born, a brotherhood of young men whose aim was to be mutually helpful, and whose ideals have grown with the years. Faculty approval was granted and the handful of students called the fraternity Beta Kappa Psi.

In December of that year, 1920, from its humble quarters the fraternity moved to its new home, to a suite of rooms in the Harrison Apartments, located at the corner of Market and Third Streets, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. These rooms, seven in all, were small. They were on the third floor of the apartment, and, as the brothers were wont to say, "The elevator was never installed." A set of living room furniture, with a piano and a victrola, composed the meager furnishings and occupied half of the tiny space available. But the influence of the group and the desire for expansion were not encompassed by the narrow walls, for the fraternity grew and flourished under many discouraging circumstances. Its members won campus honors and it found favor with the college authorities.

This small local fraternity, Beta Kappa Psi, on April 1, 1922, moved to a new location, having leased a suite of five rooms on the

third floor of the Banks Building, on Market Street, between Third and Fourth Streets. These rooms were larger, lighter, and better furnished than the previous rooms had been. New equipment was provided for both dining room and kitchen and through the sacrificial efforts of the men in the fraternity, the rooms were made more attractive and more comfortable. The location, though by far a decided improvement over the last one, was by no means suitable for a fraternity. In realization of this the members were constantly seeking a more satisfactory and permanent location. The opportunity came in 1923.

Z A Chapter House

On April 1, the active membership having increased to 25, Beta Kappa Psi fraternity leased the property at 103 Brown Street for three years. The choice was an excellent one,—a large, red-brick, Dutch colonial house, situated on the corner of Brown and Malcolm Streets, facing the east. The house is the present home of Zeta Alpha chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega and is conveniently located, being only a three minute walk from "The Hill", and a ten minute walk from town. It is owned by Mr. Benjamin F. Thomas, A.M., formerly registrar of Bucknell University.

The house, at one time a double one, was remodeled long before the coming of Beta Kappa Psi. It makes an ideal fraternity home, considering that it was not built for that purpose, and is equipped with French doors and hard wood floors. One side of the house, on the lower floor, is used for the boarding department and kitchen, the other side for living quarters. A small den and card room, with a large, open fireplace, adds a touch of real home comfort for the cold winter evenings. On the second floor are the studies of the brothers, six large rooms. The sleeping quarters are on the third floor and accommodate twenty men.

Upon moving to its present location, the fraternity enlarged its boarding department by the purchase of new dining room furniture and kitchen utensils. It added a large Vulcan gas stove, at that time the most modern and only one of its kind in town. At this

location the fraternity has been almost three years. Although desiring to own a home of their own, the brothers have leased the property for an additional three years, believing it unwise to project a building program which would involve considerable financial outlay. To the building fund, alumni have contributed generously. It is hoped that with their help the fraternity, in three years, will be in a position to build the house of its ideals.

Where Charter Convocation was Held

To the foresight of the active group in the year 1923 does the local fraternity, Beta Kappa Psi, owe its rebirth as Zeta Alpha chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega. An invitation to attend the Interlocal Fraternity Conference, to be held in New York City in conjunction with the National Interfraternity Conference, was accepted by Beta Kappa Psi. Brother G. Merrill Lenox, '24, then vice president of the local, represented it as delegate at the Conference. As all Θ Υ Ω men know, a new national fraternity was born at that Conference, twelve local fraternities banding tentatively in organizing Phi Kappa Pi. Brother Lenox was appointed a member of the committee to formulate a tentative constitution and chairman of the committee on eligibility.

A few months later, the Charter Convocation of Phi Kappa Pi was held at Lewisburg, on February 21, 22, 23, 1924. Through those trying days the splendid spirit of co-operation shown by all delegates was remarkable. A new and wider brotherhood was born and delegates laid aside sectional interests to dedicate their services to a greater good. Phi Kappa Pi became Theta Upsilon Omega. Then, on May 2, Beta Kappa Psi having ratified the national constitution, the greatest event in the history of the local took place, for at the stroke of midnight, in the midst of an impressive ceremony, the local became Zeta Alpha of Theta Upsilon Omega.

Thus, to a humble beginning, does Zeta Alpha chapter trace its origin. Its builders have planned well; their ideals have been kept ever in view. One ideal was achieved last year when Zeta Alpha chapter led in campus scholarship. More will be achieved as each class builds. For seeds sown in good ground ripen into good fruit.

Stirring Events Mark History of Bucknell University

V. W. McHail, Z A '28

In 1845, a movement was started in the Northumberland Baptist Association for the establishment of a college in central Pennsylvania. Much difficulty was encountered in selecting a site, but finally the present one at Lewisburg was chosen. The well-known beauty of scenery which characterizes this section of the country, and the advantages of a quiet inland town over an expensive and crowded city for retirement in study made Lewisburg particularly suited to the location of a college. It was found that other religious denominations had so located their respective colleges as to leave in the central part of Pennsylvania an area more than two hundred miles from east to west and more than one hundred miles from north to south. This was wholly unoccupied by any educational institution above the grade of an academy. On February 5, 1846, the state approved a charter for a college which was known as "The University at Lewisburg."

In 1847 regular classes were held and four years later the first class, consisting of seven members, was graduated. The University started to grow, and with the help of endowments, soon was an institution recognized for its high scholastic attainments and progressive character.

No sooner had the spring term opened in 1861 than the "guns of Sumter work the land", and instead of going to school many students buckled on the sword or shouldered the musket. The war record of the institution is a very creditable one and many of the old students and alumni occupied prominent positions in the Army of the North. In 1863 when Pennsylvania was invaded by Lee's army, students enlisted in a body to serve during the existing emergency. The college halls were closed during their absence. These boys were honorably discharged after six weeks' active campaign and returned in time to participate in the commencement exercises.

In 1882 the charter was amended, after which, by aid of endowments, the college grew rapidly. In 1886 it was named Bucknell University, after William Bucknell, who had given funds at differ-

ent times enabling the erection of the Observatory, Chapel, Institute, College for Women, Bucknell Cottage, and the Chemical Laboratory.

The original campus contained thirty-five acres, covered with a grove of native trees while its location on a hill offered a beautiful view and a natural grandstand unsurpassed by that of any school of like size. Recently an addition has been made by adding a one hundred and fifty-eight acre tract of beautiful rolling land just south of the old campus. Today Bucknell possesses a campus of nearly two hundred acres, with twenty-two buildings, nearly a thousand students, and more than four thousand alumni.

During her period of development Bucknell has had four presidents: Dr. H. H. Malcolm, 1851-1858; Dr. J. R. Loomis, 1858-1879; Dr. David Jayne Hill, 1879-1888; Dr. John Howard Harris, 1888-1919. Dr. Harris did much for the advancement of the University; during his term of office (thirty years), West College, East College, Carnegie Library, Physical Laboratory, and the New Cottage for Women were erected. Other buildings were remodeled and enlarged.

The coming of Emory W. Hunt, D.D., L.L.D., as president, marked another period of expansion. The curriculum was thoroughly revised, the campus extended, the Chemical Laboratory enlarged, the Engineering Building erected, east and west wings of Old Main thoroughly renovated, and the Women's College modernized.

On October 18, 1924, the Memorial Stadium, a $250,000 concrete U, with a seating capacity of 18,000, was dedicated by alumni as a memorial to Bucknell World War heroes. Here the Bucknell Bison has locked horns with Lafayette and the Haskell Indians on the gridiron; here also Penn State has been humbled in baseball. The cinder track is regarded as one of the best in Pennsylvania, and last spring the Pennsylvania State Scholastic Meet was held at Bucknell.

The death of "Christy" Mathewson, Bucknell's premier athlete, has aroused so much interest that a new gymnasium as a memorial to the immortal Christy is almost assured Bucknell. This is in furtherance of Bucknell's "athletics for all" program.

There are thirteen fraternities and five sororities at the University. Ten of the fraternities are national: Phi Kappa Psi,

Sigma Chi, Phi Gamma Delta, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Sigma, Lambda Chi Alpha, Kappa Delta Rho, Theta Upsilon Omega, Beta Kappa, and Phi Lambda Theta. The five sororities are Pi Beta Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Alpha Chi Omega, Phi Mu, Kappa Delta, and Zeta Gamma Tau, a local.

December 31, 1925, marked the end of a successful endowment for one million dollars. Part of this sum was subscribed by alumni, $200,000 being promised by the General Education Board. It is considered a remarkable testimony to the loyalty of the "old grads" who, just two years before, had built the stadium.

Have you heard WJBU? That's Bucknell's broadcasting station. At the present time this 100 watt transmitter is sending on 211.1 meters, every Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday night. If present plans succeed, Bucknell will soon take its place in the ranks of high power broadcasters.

Athletically and academically, Bucknell has an A 1 rating. Her athletic teams have long brought her glory, and with "Uncle" Charley Moran of Center College fame in charge, greater conquests are assured. Her premedical school is one of the best in the East. Her engineering schools have a corps of brilliant instructors, and her Liberal Arts courses keep 350 co-eds busy.

The Associate Organization of Zeta Alpha Chapter

G. Merrill Lenox
Past Arch Chaplain

The local fraternity which became the Zeta Alpha Chapter of Theta Upsilon Omega had no separately organized alumni body. This does not mean, however, that the graduates were disinterested in or out of touch with the active group. Although there was no definite associate chapter, there did exist a joint organization of alumni and students known as the fraternity corporation.

This body held regular annual meetings at which all the business problems of the fraternity found their solution. During the year, the business of the joint body was transacted by a Board of Directors which met bi-weekly. This board was composed of representatives from both the alumni and active members. This type of an organization seemed to offer the most practical method of solving the problem since so few alumni members lived in the vicinity of the University that regular meetings would have been impossible for a definite alumni body. The coöperative group served its purpose well. The entire membership of the fraternity was able to meet once a year and discuss its business policies. This seemed to meet the situation in a satisfactory manner.

When the local group came into the larger fellowship, an associate chapter was immediately organized, of which Brother John S. Gold, faculty member of the fraternity, was elected Master. The associate group has held meetings regularly twice a year ever since. The fall meeting is held at the time of the university homecoming football game and the spring meeting takes place during Commencement week. Thus far, the associate members have returned in large numbers for these events, making it possible to conduct really worth-while meetings.

The Zeta Alpha Associate Chapter has been represented at every convocation and is vitally interested in the work of the fraternity. The scribe of the group has made a practice of circulating news letters from time to time throughout the year keeping the various members in touch with fraternity events. This practice has not been as regular as it might possibly have been, but nevertheless it has been very beneficial.

Pittsburgh Completes Organization of First Alumni Club

The Pittsburgh Club of Theta Upsilon Omega was formally organized on December 21, 1925, when a meeting for that purpose was held at 604 Chamber of Commerce Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The forming of the organization was due largely to the untiring efforts of M. G. Lowman, Iota Alpha, ex-'26, who had made a survey to determine the degree of interest of the brothers living in the Pittsburgh district in such a club, and issued the call for the first meeting at which the club was organized.

M. G. Lowman, President Pittsburgh Club of Θ Υ Ω

The men who responded to the call for the first meeting and are therefore the charter members of the organization were: M. G. Lowman, Iota Alpha, '26; F. W. Lenox, Lambda Alpha, '24; R. H. Dickman, Beta Beta, '25; Daniel W. Fegert, Lambda Alpha, '25; John C. Nevin, Lambda Alpha, '24; Charles F. Bird, Zeta Alpha, '24; Thomas F. Baird, Lambda Alpha, '23; P. D. Mitchell, Lambda Alpha, '24; S. W. McGinness, Lambda Alpha, '01; D. Lyle Guthrie, Lambda Alpha, '24; G. Merrill Lenox, Zeta Alpha, '24; and John E. Lenox, Zeta Alpha, '24. A constitution was drawn up and adopted at this meeting, officers elected, and a petition prepared for a charter from the Arch Convocation. This charter was granted on January 31. The officers elected to serve for a period of one year were M. G. Lowman, president, S. W. McGinness, vice president, and R. H. Dickman, secretary-treasurer.

The club will for the present hold its regular meetings at a

luncheon served at twelve o'clock on the second Wednesday of each month at the Downtown Y.M.C.A., Wood and Third Streets, Pittsburgh. At the first luncheon, held on January thirteenth, the following new members were admitted: Herbert Patterson, Lambda Alpha, '07; James G. Nevin, Lambda Alpha, '05; M. M. Edmundson, Lambda Alpha, '01; W. B. McCrory, Lambda Alpha, '01; and S. M. Wylie, Lambda Alpha, '22.

S. W. McGinness

Out of town brothers visiting Pittsburgh are invited to get in touch with Brother Lowman, who may be reached during the day at 604 Chamber of Commerce Building, phone Grant 8741, and after business hours at the Downtown Y.M.C.A., phone Court 5820.

When Louisiana State University moved to its new campus on the outskirts of Baton Rouge last September, it left behind one of the most historical spots in the south, for the flags of seven nations have flown over the old campus, says *The College Mason*. Used as an army post by the seven countries, the site was given to the state when the Federal Army abandoned it as a garrison point. Prior to 1773, the Bourbon flag of France waved above the post. From that date to 1789 the Union Jack of England held sway. In that year, a force under the flag of Spain captured the post, and the Spanish red and yellow flew in Baton Rouge until 1810. For a few months in 1810, the flag of the Republic of West Florida (a blue flag with a single star in the center) caught the breezes over the post. This was replaced by the Stars and Stripes, which stayed there for fifty-one years. Then was raised the flag of the Republic of Louisiana when that state seceded from the Union. The stars and bars of the Confederacy followed this, to be followed in turn by the American flag, which has been there ever since.

—*The Tomahawk* of Alpha Sigma Phi

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definitely, it was then we began to realize the seriousness of his condition.

Days passed into weeks and weeks into months with everyone anxiously watching and hoping for his recovery but as the Lord giveth so the Lord taketh away; and on December 6, 1925, at 2:07 A.M. the life of our beloved Brother passed to its reward. And again the figure seven took part in his life; it was just seven months from the Sunday that he last appeared in the pulpit to the day he passed away.

When the final arrangements had been made for the funeral services, the Dean of the University sent for one of our brothers and asked if our fraternity would stand Guard of Honor at the bier, while Dr. Conwell's body lay in state in the Grace Baptist Church. Twenty-one of our members stood Guard of Honor from 3 to 10 P.M., Tuesday, December 8, 1925. On the following morning at ten o'clock thirty-five of our brothers attended the funeral in a body and two were honorary pallbearers.

About ten days after Dr. Conwell's death, his daughter, Mrs. Nina Tuttle, presented to the Epsilon Alpha Chapter the famous Temple Pennant, following the request of Dr. Conwell, with this note attached:

> TEMPLE UNIVERSITY COLORS
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> Carried by Dr. George H. Simmerman and Dr. Thomas E. Eldridge above the clouds to an altitude of 8700 feet, in the Big Balloon "Greater Philadelphia," in aid of the $1,000,000 campaign Fund, June 10, 1926.
>
> Leaving U.G.I. Grounds, Point Breeze, 11:00 A.M. Landing Lulu Temple Country Club 1:30 P.M.

This pennant had then been given to Dr. Conwell and was placed over his desk in his study where it remained until it was presented to our chapter.

May this life which we mourn, be an inspiration to every Θ Υ Ω man, not only in keeping our motto but in fulfilling his mission on this earth. Then to sum the life of Dr. Conwell in a few words it can best be done by saying, "He went about doing good to everyone."

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NEW THETA UPSILON OMEGA FRATERNITY REPLACES 'TILICUM'

Gamma Beta Chapter Installed at California on March 3; New Men Initiated

By ALBERT S. OLAFSON '26

During the night of Tuesday, March 3, 1925 the old door-plate on the front of the house which for thirteen years had read 'Tilicum', disappeared and passers by on the morning of March 4 were greeted with the shiny new copper Greek letters of Theta Upsilon Omega.

The change marked the passing of the old Tilicum club of the University of California and the arrival of a new national fraternity in its stead. It was a great and eventful day for the active members and for those associate members who were able to be present.

Acting on the assumption that it was the wish of the entire club to some day become affiliated with a good national fraternity, President Doyle last year appointed a committee to investigate the fraternity situation. This committee immediately got in touch with several authorities on fraternities, from whom much valuable information was obtained. It was learned that practically every national fraternity of any standing was already represented by enzoters at California, or that the few larger fraternities not represented would not extend to the West.

The chances of joining up with a good national organization looked rather dark until one day the name of Theta Upsilon Omega was brought to our attention. We learned that Theta Upsilon Omega had been sponsored by the National Interfraternity Conference and this fact was largely responsible for our initial interest in it.

After investigating the fraternity

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Review of Term Given by Master

Problems of Semester Met by House Members Successfully; Robinson Points Out Major Achievements of Year

By C. RAY ROBINSON '26

It is with a feeling of pride and satisfaction that we review our accomplishments of the past semester. We say this not in any boastful way but in hope that you alumni will feel proud of us and feel that we are worthy of some additional aid from you.

In the matter of house achievements we have several things to note. For many years there has been a periodical start toward a Mothers' club. There has been much talk but it was not until this semester that we organized such a club. With Mrs. Acres at the head the new body has been of great service and we certainly feel that this step is one which will bear fruit in the future, even to a greater degree.

More Fraternity Spirit

We were faced with another problem at the beginning of the semester and that was in realizing that we were now a fraternity. Much was said and done and by mutual co-operation we

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Officers Elected for 1926 Spring Term

Election of this semester's officers took place at the final regular house meeting of last year. Those who will be at the helm of Gamma Beta chapter for the ensuing term are:

Master, Ronald A. Macdonald '26; Recorder, Albert S. Olafson '26; Marshall, Theobald C. MacSweeney '26; Herald, Philip Dickinson '27; Chaplain, Maurice G. Read '27; Scribe, J. Felton Turner '28.

PURCHASE LOT FOR SITE OF NEW HOME

Completing the deal in the middle of December just after the close of the semester the T. U. O. fraternity has begun payment on a new lot.

It was sold quietly at public sale by the City of Berkeley and our bid of $8360 was the only one submitted. Property on all sides of it has sold at twelve to fifteen thousand dollars.

We have paid $2000 down, which was raised by the alumni, and we have to raise $2000 more by next May. The plan is to sell the present building and get all our equity in the new lot. We

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EIGHT FROSH NEOPHYTES MANAGE TO SURVIVE ORDEAL OF INITIATION

About 7 o'clock one Friday evening, August 28, eight blindfolded neophytes lay huddled together in the corner of a dark room awaiting the terrible ordeal that was to prepare them for initiation into our fraternity.

Dead silence, interrupted only by the slow, monotonous beat of the tom-tom and the quiet trickle of cold water, haunted the terror-stricken freshmen, as one by one they were led from the room downstairs to the torture chamber. A sudden CRASH of a huge gong sent the remaining victims shuddering further back into the corner with cold shivers running up and down their spines. Then the sharp cra-acks of paddles and the bloodcurdling yells of the murderers followed again by momentary silence and the faint moans of the wounded martyr, told the rest the story of what was in store for them below.

At 10 o'clock the survivors were again gathered together and the formal ceremony of the first degree was begun. The process of initiation with the second and third degrees continued until midnight.

T.U.O. GIVEN HONOR AS LEADER OF OUR CALIFORNIA VARSITY

Last Two Stanford Games Show Mettle of New Bear Leader, "Perfect End of Day"

By F. LeROY CUMMINGS '26

"Bert Griffin '27 elected captain of the 1926 California Varsity football team!"

This was the happy news that came over the wire to Gamma Beta a few weeks ago as the boys sat before the fire wondering if such a thing was too good to be true.

It was rather a quiet game. Stanford a few hours before had defeated the California eleven for the first time since 1905. The score was 27 to 14. And those 14 points all came through the action of "Bull" Griffin. For Theta Upsilon Omega it was as the Daily Californian said, "not the end of a perfect day, but the perfect end of a day."

Bert's rise to the captaincy has been meteoric.

Griffin had played in only two games before the Stanford game of last year. No one considered him a possibility except the boys at the house, who had confidence in him. At the start of the second half the score was 6 to 0 in favor of Stanford. Griffin went in at fullback as a surprise and before the Stanford team and some 100,000 spectators knew what it was all about "Bull" had carried the ball over the line for two touchdowns.

"All-American Substitute"

This season was almost a repetition of last. Bert played everything in the backfield except quarterback and won the name of "All American substitute" on the campus. When a certain Dolan was hurt, Andy Smith was in dire need of a safety man. He asked Bert if he could catch punts. Bert, who never

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The Chapter Paper

Chapter Editors Doing Good Work

This will introduce what is intended to be a regular department of THE OMEGAN, wherein the chapter newspapers received in the interval since the preceding issue will be described, discussed, and criticised. It is hoped that it will be a guidance to chapter editors and that it will help to raise the standard of these publications which are so important a factor in chapter management. It will also serve to let the fraternity at large know what is being done along this line. Discussion on the new department and the comments which it offers is invited.

Chapter papers received since January first are: *The Bulletin*, Gamma Alpha chapter, Irving D. Felter, editor. *The Iotan*, Iota Alpha chapter, Calvin W. Shuman, editor. *The Pow Wow*, Gamma Beta chapter, Philip Dickinson, editor.

The Bulletin

The Gamma Alpha paper, issued "semi-occasionally", was received on January twelfth. It is a three-page mimeographed paper which makes no pretense of being made up in newspaper style, but takes rather the form of a letter to the alumni.

The Bulletin contains a brief account of the Third Arch Convocation, an announcement of an impending house dance, the names of recent initiates and pledges, and also the scores of all of Stevens' basketball games to date. It is written in an informal, readable style, and bears unmistakable earmarks of being all the work of one man.

News of some of the alumni would add to the value of *The Bulletin*. Our only adverse criticism is that the paper contains a large number of gross inaccuracies. The more serious of these have to do with the wrong initials of the Arch Visitor, an erroneous name and chapter for one of the newly elected Junior Councilors, and the statement that a certain fee is thirty dollars, when in reality it is three dollars.

The Iotan

Iota Alpha's first venture in the way of a chapter publication was received on January nineteenth. It is a four-page two-column mimeographed paper which is to be issued quarterly. It is made up to simulate a newspaper, with suitable headings for the first page, a masthead on the editorial page, etc. It presents, on the whole, a very pleasing appearance.

This paper's chief asset is in its alumni and chapter news. It could be considerably improved by the inclusion of important college news. Few alumni subscribe to the college paper after leaving school and they are eager for any scrap of information about their alma mater. Faculty changes, new buildings on the campus, and innovations in the curriculum, while not of sufficient general interest to appear in THE OMEGAN, all have a high news value in the chapter paper.

The Iotan leaves itself open to severe criticism on one point when it stoops to the quite common practice of eulogizing the men who have accepted the pledge button of its chapter. These characterizations are aggravated by being couched in college slang. "We felt that we had scored a goal when he had accepted us," "Jim serves a nasty tennis ball," and "Ben is studying his watts and whatfors in the Electrical Engineering School"; these are examples.

We can do no better than quote from *The Laurel* of Phi Kappa Tau on this subject:

> Disregarding the execrable taste of such slang in print, we believe it to be an entirely wrong principle to inform the alumni year after year, that your chapter has pledged the best group of men on the campus and then to spreadeagle each man. Your alumnus is no novice. He recognizes the usual line and discounts it as such. The freshman has his way to make, his merits yet to prove. He cannot stand being touted. If he is, in nine cases out of ten his future usefulness to his chapter is either impaired or altogether destroyed. Give him tacit encouragement and there let it stop.

The Pow Wow

The Gamma Beta publications reaches us in printed form 10½ by 13 inches in size. It contains eight pages of real news articles. It is published semi-annually, in January and June. The issue of January, 1926, was designated as Number 1 of Volume VII.

The Pow Wow includes everything which we can think of that a chapter paper should contain. Its articles are well selected, well written, and intelligently edited. A very experienced man was evidently responsible for its make-up. In fact, *The Pow Wow* is far superior as a newspaper to the weeklies of many small colleges which reach our office. Gamma Beta chapter is particularly fortunate in possessing a number of gifted and clever writers, some of whom have contributed to past numbers of THE OMEGAN.

Glancing through the January number, we see articles on the installation of Gamma Beta chapter, a review of the past term by the master, definite information on the purchase of a new lot, the organization of a Mothers' Club. There is a sport page, devoted to intra-mural athletics and to the men active in varsity athletics. As for alumni news—there is a separate news item about each of 108 alumni.

The Pow Wow is a more elaborate paper than most chapters can afford, but it is amply justified by the large and active alumni group which is supporting it in all of its enterprises.

The Arch Editor does not feel disposed to offer any suggestions for the improvement of *The Pow Wow* further than to recommend that the name of THE OMEGAN be correctly spelled in the future.

Arch Ritualist and Mrs. A. J. Weston plan to conduct another tour to Europe this summer under the McComb Tours service. Their itinerary will include Paris, Nice, Genoa, Rome, Naples, Florence, Venice, Milan, the Italian Lakes, Lugano, Interlaken, Berne, Strassbourg, Brussels, Amsterdam, and London, leaving New York on June 19 and returning August 21. Anyone interested is urged to communicate with Brother Weston at 148 North Eighteenth Street, East Orange, New Jersey.

EDITORIAL

The Pittsburgh Club

One of the most significant steps taken by the fraternity during the past year was the chartering of the Pittsburgh Club of Θ Υ Ω. We understand that associate groups are being formed in several other cities, notably Los Angeles, San Francisco, and New York, but the Pittsburg Club has the distinction of being the first officially chartered club. It was founded upon a firm basis after a thorough survey of the situation in and around Pittsburgh. Its charter roll numbers alumni from four of our chapters, recent graduates as well as a goodly number of older men well established in business and professions in the Pittsburgh district, who will insure stability to the new organization. The club, in addition to the benefits accruing to its members from the social meetings, will serve an important purpose in looking after the interests of Theta Upsilon Omega in the educational and industrial world that centers in Pittsburgh.

Brother O'Nan

Time brings its inevitable changes, not only in the world at large, but in Fraternity matters as well. At the meeting of the Arch Council, held in Washington September last, Brother O'Nan announced that, owing to the pressure of business, he must resign from the office of Arch Recorder. The Arch Council presented the resignation before the recent Convocation in Worcester, where it was accepted.

For those of us who know Brother O'Nan personally, and who through close association with him have come to know and appreciate his splendid work for the Fraternity, his resignation from office is a cause of profound regret. Wise in counsel, sound in advice, and possessing a most genial personality, he easily won for himself a place of warmest affection and esteem in the hearts of his

associates. He was most conscientious and capable in the management of his office, most painstaking and efficient in carrying out its details.

We recognize the necessity for his resignation. There is a period in the lives of all men, when, if they would achieve success and properly meet the full responsibilities of life, they must devote by far the major part of their faculties and energies to that end. We know full well that Brother O'Nan has close at heart the best interests of our Fraternity, and that he, though no longer in office, will do whatever be in his power to further its interests.

And so we wish for "Doc" full measure of success and of happiness, and bid him Godspeed in all his undertakings.

An Unusual Record

More words are spent without a doubt in denouncing poor scholastic standings of fraternity chapters than in giving proper recognition and commendation for exceptional showings. It is a very difficult and delicate task to make scholarship comparisons between our different chapters because of the wide variations between the requirements and standards of the different educational institutions at which they are located. It involves the reduction of ratings to a common standard, and at best this system is unsatisfactory and in some cases unfair.

If the educational status of an institution of higher learning amounts to anything at all, however, a fair and reasonable index of a fraternity chapter's standing in scholarship is obtained by comparing it with that of other fraternities on the same campus. Our Theta Alpha chapter at the University of New Hampshire has stood first among the eleven fraternities on the campus of that institution for the past four years. That is a record for any chapter of any fraternity to shoot at. Theta Alpha is not composed of a handful of hand picked "grinds," either. It is, in fact, our largest chapter with forty-four active members and eighteen pledges, most of whom are identified with activities on the campus.

Theta Alpha's "system" in attaining this coveted scholastic standing consists mainly in guiding its freshmen properly throughout their entire first year. This is an improvement upon the practice of most chapters which take an active interest in their freshmen for only a few weeks and then leave them to work out their own salvation.

CHAPTER NEWS

Beta Alpha **Worcester Polytechnic Institute**

A much needed addition was recently completed on the Beta Alpha chapter house in order to give more space in the dining room. What was formerly the circular back veranda has been enclosed and made a part of the dining room. This almost doubles the capacity of the room, making it possible to hold banquets there with ease. This was demonstrated strikingly at the recent National Convocation. The enlarged room, together with the other downstairs rooms, will also make an ideal place for house dances.

On December twenty-third the annual Christmas banquet was held at the house. All the active members of Beta Alpha were present while the presence of a large number of Associates made the affair a real reunion. Brother H. M. Champney led the singing, making the event a genuine success.

Brother "Ted" Lewis is captain of next year's football team and is kept busy now as assistant manager of basketball.

Brother Wiggin is manager of the Glee Club.

Brother Browning is Junior Editor of the *Tech News*.

Brother Durbin is Auditor of the Sophomore Class.

Brother "Cy" Hardy was recently initiated into Tau Beta Pi.

Brother Lawrence is out for assistant managership of basketball.

Brother Tatnall is out for the stage managership of the Tech Show.

Beta Alpha has completed plans for its annual Convocation, to be held on February twenty-second. Following the Convocation there will be a banquet, which rounds out the program. In conjunction with the Convocation a dance and party for the associate members will be held at the house on Saturday evening, February twentieth.

Gamma Alpha **Stevens Institute of Technology**

On the evening of Dec. fifth, a goodly number of alumni, together with our entire active chapter, gathered at the Hotel Astor in New York City to hold our annual Alumni Banquet.

During the course of the evening short talks were given by our master, Brother Swinburne, and by the associate chapter president and treasurer, Brothers Mitchill and Peters respectively. These were in the nature of reports of the activities of the past year and plans and suggestions for the future. We next attended to the real business of the evening, the election of the associate chapter officers for the coming year. The following men were chosen: W. Wilkinson, '17, President; A. H. Peters, '21, 1st Viee President; C. A. Claus, '21, 2nd Vice President; A. H. Peters, '21, Treasurer; and F. E. Sutton, '27, Secretary.

The principal speakers of the evening were Professor Stockwell, the head of the electrical department at Stevens and Arch Editor M. E. Jansson. The banquet was brought to a close by the singing of the Stevens Alma Mater and various class songs by the alumni of the various years.

The first initiations of the college year were held during the week of December 5th. Although we had seven pledges, only two were able to come in at this initiation, the others finding it necessary for various reasons to await the spring initiations. The new brothers are Charles Scribner Shepherd and Russell John Sheehan.

Pledge Brother "Art" Meinhold, although only in his freshman year, is making an excellent showing as forward on the varsity basketball squad.

Our alumni, as well as active chapter men, have been attending the basketball games in goodly numbers. Following the Haverford game, there was dancing in the "gym" until 12 P.M. Some of our fellows, not wanting to bring the evening to such an early close, made arrangements with the orchestra to adjourn to our chapter house and continue playing there. The impromptu nature of the affair made it all the more interesting. Rugs were quickly rolled off the floors, the pool table was moved with hazardous rapidity, and the musicians draped themselves comfortably in our easy chairs. Everyone had an enjoyable time and it is hoped that more parties of the same sort may be arranged in the future.

While speaking of parties we wish to mention our annual informal house dance to be held this year on February twentieth, following the Rensselaer game. An orchestra has already been engaged and committees have been appointed to take care of the various preparations.

It is planned to get a lot of work done on the chapter house during the Spring recess. The pledges have been assigned jobs and the active body men have volunteered to help. Most of the work will be painting and paper-hanging and some general cleaning of closets, etc.

Delta Alpha **University of Illinois**

No letter received.

Epsilon Alpha **Temple University**

The Owl chapter of the Blue Key honorary society was recently installed at Temple with forty-five members. Of these, thirteen are members of Θ Υ Ω. They are Brothers Pearce, Steiner, Bowman, MacFarland, Cresse, Burkley, Bolton, Kaestner, Mease, Rittenhouse, Winch, Wilson, and Unger.

The deans of Temple University chose as representatives of that school at the World Court Conference held at Princeton University December 11 and 12, two Θ Υ Ω brothers, Charles A. Rittenhouse, '26, and Robert Winch, '26.

Brother David E. Wilson, '27, is present manager of the varsity basketball team.

At the Student Council meeting at which officers were chosen for the present term, C. A. Rittenhouse, '26, was elected president and Ray Burkley, '27, elected secretary. The council occupies an important position in the activities of the school and their election is considered a high honor to the fraternity. Brother Vincent Pearce, '27, is the representative from the Teachers' College.

In the interfraternity basketball league, Θ Υ Ω has been twice victorious, having lost no games to date. We defeated Delta Sigma Pi and Zeta Epsilon Omega by a wide margin and expect to continue our success by capturing the championship.

The annual formal dinner dance is to be held this year at McAllister's ballroom on March twenty-sixth. This is the most

important social function of the year and many of the associate members of the chapter are expected to attend. Several house parties and smokers are being planned by the entertainment committee to be held during the second semester.

The second initiation of the year will be held on May second. About ten men are expected to be taken into active membership at that time.

Zeta Alpha **Bucknell University**

Zeta Alpha at mid-semester lost one man and received another back into the fold. G. Meason Shultzabarger, '27, our genial steward, felt the call of wanderlust and is now working at the Long Island Power Plant of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company. "Irish Gene" Halleran, '27, came back from Sea Isle City, New Jersey, bringing his trumpet, and of course no one has had any peace since.

Zeta Alpha held its formal dance Saturday, February 20. The Bucknell Blue Band played. Leather card cases were the favors.

A little informal card party and "Vic" dance was held on Saturday, January 16.

Willis G. Snow, '28, of Brooklyn, New York, a member of the Varsity debating team, is a recent pledge. Brother Carl Hile, '26, is also a member of the team.

Our basketball squad is working hard to capture the Interfraternity Cup, and prospects look good for the semi-finals at least.

Eta Alpha **George Washington University**

Horace B. McCoy, '26, has been elected Master of Eta Alpha chapter to fill the unexpired term of Henry James, '26, who resigned. Brother McCoy is the delegate of the chapter to the local Interfraternity Council, and has served the chapter in various responsible offices, including the presidency of Kappa Tau Omega before Theta Upsilon Omega was organized.

Horace Domigan, '28, has been chosen as captain of the G. W. cross-country team for the 1926-27 season. Domigan finished first or second in nearly every race in which the G. W. team was entered in the season just ended, and has won several of the three-mile runs staged by the Aloysius Club of Washington. Before coming to

George Washington University, Domigan was a member of the Ohio Wesleyan harrier squad.

Brother Adrian Busick, '26, is a pledge to Sigma Tau.

L. W. Ohlander, Law '28, is one of the eleven debaters who were chosen for the forensic squad at the tryout in January.

Irvin (Dan) McGrew, '27, who is manager of varsity basketball, accompanied the team on its trip to West Virginia and southern Pennsylvania the week of January eighteenth.

Henry James, '26, has been elected to Gate and Key, honorary interfraternity society at G. W. U., and is now serving his pledgeship in that order. Brother James is a former master of Eta Alpha chapter, and has been the delegate to the Interfraternity Conference. He is a member of President Lewis' Student Committee, the "Little Cabinet" of the President. Jimmy is also a member of Sigma Tau and Pi Delta Epsilon.

Howard Baggett, '27, was elected Managing Editor of the *Hatchet* at a recent election of the Board of Editors. A Managing Editor, Brother Baggett is chairman of the Board of Editors which guides the policy of the G. W. U. weekly.

Five of the nine men recently pledged by Pi Delta Epsilon are members or pledges of Eta Alpha chapter. They are: Howard Baggett, Managing Editor of the *University Hatchet;* Raymond H. Reed, '27, Business Manager of the *Hatchet;* George N. Gardner, sports editor of the *Hatchet* and assistant sports editor of the *Cherry Tree*, the G. W. annual; Pledge Julian Turner, '28, Circulation Manager of the *Hatchet;* and Pledge Cleon K. Firestone, '28, of the *Hatchet* staff.

Eta Alpha celebrated the passing of examination week with a formal dance at the house February sixteenth. The house was very attractively decorated, and a good representation of the alumni membership gathered with the active brothers to take advantage of the excellent music provided for the occasion.

Pledges of the George Washington University fraternities believe in becoming acquainted with each other while they are still young in University life. Last year the pledges of Sigma Chi entertained the pledges of all the fraternities at a smoker. This year the pledges, who are called "goats" at G. W., have started the custom of holding goat dances. Several have been held during the fall, each time at a different fraternity house. Delegates to the

Interfraternity Council and a few other full-fledged members have been present at these dances as the guests of the goats.

The Interfraternity Prom, which is the biggest social event of the season in interfraternity circles, will be held in the ballroom of the Willard Hotel on the nineteenth of March.

Theta Alpha **University of New Hampshire**

"Peckey" Whitehead, '26, was captain of the varsity soccer team. Both he and Ralph Bemis, '26, won the N.H.

Θ Υ Ω had a fairly successful basketball team, but was handicapped because of the fact that several basketball men were on the soccer team.

For the interfraternity hockey cup, Θ Υ Ω is putting a good team on the ice. Al. Rhineheart, '28, is captain, and Ray Corey, '26, manager.

Theta Alpha held a very enjoyable house dance January sixteenth, in charge of Brothers Corey, Daggett, and Sawyer.

A very successful rushing season culminated in pledging sixteen out of eighteen freshmen rushed. Later two more pledges were added.

The big event of the winter at the University of New Hampshire is the Annual Winter Carnival, with teams from Dartmouth, Williams, and McGill competing. House parties were held the week of the Carnival, February twelfth to fourteenth, instead of in the spring, as has been the custom heretofore.

Iota Alpha **Pennsylvania State College**

Nine men have been pledged during the first semester. They are: "Ben" Roye, Columbia, Pa.; Ray L. Paterson, Moosic, Pa.; Jimmy Hamil, Washington, Pa.; Ben Finefrock, Columbia, Pa.; Jim Leamer, Dunlo, Pa.; Eddie Hawkins, Altoona, Pa.; Mason Bowman, Johnstown, Pa.; Ray Treichler, Elizabethtown, Pa.; and Ed Schmidt, Belle Vernon, Pa.

Ray L. Paterson, '28, is sophomore manager of the Penn State Players.

Jim Leamer is a member of the freshman debating squad.

Ben Finefrock and Mason Bowman are reporters for the *Penn State Collegian.*

Ed Schmidt won his 1929 class numerals in lacrosse.

The first dance of the semester was held on February twentieth, in honor of the new members.

Bob Parnell, '26, was elected to Scabbard and Blade.

After being out of school for two years, Harry F. Suter has returned to college.

On November eighth Brother Rowland informed the chapter that due to his health, and acting on his doctor's advice he was forced to resign his office as Master. In view of the fact that health comes before all else, his resignation was accepted, and on November sixteenth V. J. Meyl was installed as Master.

The girls who attended the house party in October presented the house with a picture, "At Dawning," by Maxfield Parrish. Another recent addition to the decorations is a beautiful mounted pheasant, which was shot and presented to the chapter by Brother Danny Lenker.

Brother Malcolm A. Bird is a member of the varsity rifle team. Brother Bird's accurate and well placed shots have done much in making this season one of the most successful since the sport was adopted at Penn State.

Pledge Treichler is doing excellent work on the staff of the *Penn State Farmer.*

Kappa Alpha **Davidson College**

Paul R. Maulden has won his place on the wrestling team in the heavyweight class.

Pledge Brother H. Y. Harper is showing up well in wrestling.

Brothers Reid and Slaymaker have been taken into the Biology club.

Pledge Brother Phifer is working hard as an assistant manager for the basketball team.

Pledge Brother Weaver is serving in the capacity of reporter for the *Davidsonian.*

Brother Lowrance is representing Kappa Alpha for the second year in the Glee Club. He sings baritone and plays first violin.

In the band we are represented by Brother Reid and Pledge Brothers Purdy and Phifer.

Brothers Edwards, Edgar and Maulden are limbering up their arms for varsity baseball, while Pledge Brothers Phifer, Harper and Woodward are doing likewise for the freshman nine.

Lambda Alpha **Westminster College**

January eighteenth was the date of our first Home Night. All of the brothers and pledges were in attendance at what was declared to be the best get-together ever held by Lambda Alpha.

Westminster College's Intra-mural basketball league will consist this year of five teams, according to action taken at a meeting of the league board at which a non-fraternity team was admitted. Θ Υ Ω was represented at this meeting by Brothers Armstrong and Reed. With the entrance of the new team, the schedule had to be revised, so that instead of six games, each team will now play eight. Another action taken by the board was the sanctioning of referees, among whom was Brother Gibson.

Beta Beta **Miami University**

Everyone is just recovering, or attempting to recover, from the effects of all night cramming for exams. We hope the result will justify the means, as we expect Beta Beta to rank high in scholarship.

Brother Larcomb, a sturdy grappler, will represent Miami in some of her coming wrestling meets. We know that Brother Larcomb will give a good account of himself.

Miami bars boxing as an intercollegiate activity, but it is permissible as an intra-mural sport. The chapter expects to come through with two of the championships this year since Pledge Brother Dick Norton is going to bowl them over in the featherweight division and H. Clay Flynn, lightweight champion two years ago, is back in the ring.

A. M. Hoffman, '26, member of the University Bridge Club, is at present holder of the High Point Key.

Chapter Master S. Earl Slaughter was a member of the Junior Prom committee which staged its annual mid-year affair January 29.

On January 16 Beta Beta entertained a number of guests at an informal house party. A good time was extended in regular Θ Υ Ω style. The date for our Spring Formal is May first. We will be glad to welcome any brothers who may be able to attend the affair.

Gamma Beta **University of California**

Thirty-six couples danced to the rhythm of Jack Swail's orchestra at Gamma Beta's spring semester rush dance held at the house on the evening of January 22. The dance seemed even more of a success than usual; perhaps it was the captivating music that made it so, perhaps the entrancing effect of the dim colored lights that shone down through the laurel greens, or perhaps the charms of the fair co-ed with whom we spent a dance or two in a corner of the sofa in the restful darkness of the den. At any rate, we had a wonderful time.

A number of rushees and pledges were there to enjoy the dance and the eats that followed. It was the first dance held in the house for a long time and Brother Otto Stiegeler, '28, manager, is to be congratulated on its success.

Mothers' Club Dinner Held at House

Fourteen members of Gamma Beta's Mothers' Club were entertained at the house at dinner on Sunday, January 24. The purpose of the occasion was to thank the Mothers' Club formally for their work during the past semester and to get them together once more at the beginning of the new term.

The decorations from the dance were still intact for the dinner and a good "feed" and enjoyable time was had. Every mother was given a favor of a red rose. Later in the afternoon we put all of our guests in automobiles and took them over to see our new lot. Every one of them was enthusiastic over the size, location, and condition of the property, and vowed to help us all she could in getting our new house. All in all, it was a very profitable afternoon for Θ Υ Ω.

Plans are now under way for a Father and Son smoker to be given in March.

January Campus Accomplishments

With the term only three weeks old, Gamma Beta's members are already showing results in campus activities that point toward a prosperous year.

In the annual California-Stanford golf matches held January 23, Felton Turner, '28, came through on top in the singles and thus won his Circle "C". Felton has also been re-appointed on the Rally committee for this semester.

Brother Roy Cummings, '26, was recently elected president of the California chapter of Sigma Delta Chi, professional journalistic society. Roy is fast becoming a well-known sporting writer in this part of the country and his articles are a daily feature of the *Oakland Post-Enquirer*. He also talks over the radio occasionally.

Frank (Red) Gill, '29, is back in college this semester and has been chosen captain of both the 1929 Freshman swimming and water polo teams. During the fall term, Red plays football, and is a leading candidate for a halfback berth on next year's California Varsity alongside of Captain Bert Griffin.

Baseball has swung into its stride at California now and Brother "Irish" MacSweeney has his eye on one of the outfield positions on the Varsity.

Θ Υ Ω Basketball Squad Starts Practice

Every Monday night from five until seven o'clock Gamma Beta's basketball team is out practicing in Willard gymnasium. Prospects for another championship quintet are good. We already have one large silver cup resting permanently on our mantel and are out to get the name of Θ Υ Ω engraved opposite the year 1926 on the new trophy. There are about sixty-five fraternities in the new league so we have no easy job ahead of us.

Brother "Gene" Baker, '27, is captain and about half of the house are out fighting to make the team.

ALUMNI NOTES

Gamma Alpha

J. A. Austin, '13, is in the lubricating oil division of the Pan American Petroleum Company, Los Angeles, California.

The brothers of Gamma Alpha are interested in the formation of a Θ Υ Ω Alumni Club in New York. There are many Θ Υ Ω men from all parts of the country living in or near New York City, and the idea has been received enthusiastically by all with whom it has been discussed. The idea has been talked over by the alumni and it is hoped that some definite action will be taken in the near future as such an association will help cement the fraternal relations of our brothers from all parts of the country.

Delta Alpha

C. R. Randolph, '22, is teaching science in the Sheldon High School, Sheldon, Illinois.

H. L. Patterson, '24, is connected with the Standard Oil Company at Joliet, Illinois.

The new address of F. K. Howe, '23, is Box 496, Haskell, New Jersey. Fred is still working for the North Jersey District Water Supply Commission.

M. D. Engelhart, '23, was recently initiated into Phi Delta Kappa. Max is studying for his Master's degree in Education at Illinois.

William Barbour Nevens, Ph. D., faculty member, is co-author with William Woodin Yapp of a new book, "Dairy Cattle." The aim of the book is to make available to vocational school students

and dairy farmers the most practical methods of selecting, feeding, and caring for dairy cattle. Dr. Nevens is assistant in the College of Agriculture and assistant chief of the dairy cattle feeding in the agricultural experiment station of the University of Illinois.

Epsilon Alpha

Richard L. Thomas, '25, is with a construction company in St. Petersburg, Florida.

Neal B. Bowman, '25, is an instructor in advertising and business correspondence at Temple University.

C. W. O'Nan, '24, J. N. Danehower, '23, and Neal B. Bowman, '25, took leading parts in the play, "Kempy," given on February 13 by the Alumni Association of Temple University.

H. W. Braker, formerly with Lybrand, Ross Brothers, and Montgomery, Certified Public Accountants, has been appointed head accountant of the Pioneer Suspender Company, whose main office is located in Philadelphia.

Zeta Alpha

Ross Hagerman, ex-'26, was a recent Lewisburg visitor. Ross is employed with the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in Philadelphia.

"Herbie" Slack, ex-'26, "Eddie" Ross, '24, and Worth Candrick, '23, are "somewhere in Florida." Engineering is profitable down there.

Eta Alpha

Clayton Orn, who has been practicing law in Graham, Texas, since his graduation from the George Washington University Law School in June, 1925, has just announced his candidacy for the office of County Attorney of Graham County.

Albert Parker, '25, is practicing law in Jacksonville, Florida.

Calvin B. McRae, '25, is associated with a law firm in Akron, Ohio, his home town.

Dean Hugh Miller of the College of Engineering, who is a member of Eta Alpha chapter, attended a meeting of the Amer-

ican Association for the Advancement of Science in Kansas City, Missouri, during the Christmas holidays. He delivered a paper on "Human Engineering."

Professor Elmer Louis Kayser, of Eta Alpha chapter, and President Lewis of George Washington University were delegates at the annual meeting of the Association of American Colleges in New York January fourteenth to sixteenth.

Theta Alpha

The alumni body is rapidly getting the plans for the new house into shape. It is hoped that the new house will be ready in the fall.

Oscar Pearson, '23, is at the University of California working for his doctor's degree.

Donald Pettee, '25, is teaching and coaching at Brandon, Vermont.

Iota Alpha

Robert Clayeomb, '25, is in the florist business at Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

Henry Baer, '25, is in Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania, with the Westinghouse Electrie Company.

H. Steever Jordan, '25, is employed as a clerk for the State Highway Department at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Jacob Davis, '25, is working in the Dime Bank at Scranton, Pennsylvania.

W. Stewart Gocher, '25, is employed by the E. I. Dupont de Nemours Company as a chemist in their rubber research laboratories at Fairfield, Connecticut.

Ben Summers, '24, is serving as teacher and assistant football coach at the Bellefonte Academy.

Bruce Dayton, '25, is employed as a chemist at the Government Experiment Station in Geneva, New York.

Lloyd R. Baker, '24, is with the Quaker Oats Company in St. Louis, Missouri.

Earl M. Gingerich, '23, secretary-treasurer of the associate chapter, is assistant superintendent of the Titan Metal Company at Bellefonte, Pennsylvania.

James E. Benfer, '22, was recently promoted to the position of assistant roundhouse foreman for the Santa Fe Railroad at Kansas City.

Jay Ray Lilley, '24, is traveling for the Neighborhood Motion Picture Service Company of New York City. His headquarters are in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Lieutenant L. E. Gruber, U. S. A., is stationed in Manila, Philippine Islands.

Kappa Alpha

P. M. Patterson, '25, is studying at the University of North Carolina, having received a fellowship in Botany there.

W. A. Patterson, '25, is teaching with Brother Booth at Leland, North Carolina.

O. J. Allison, '25, is with the Aetna Life Insurance Company, Columbia, South Carolina.

W. W. Purdy, '25, is an instructor in McCallies School, Chattanooga, Tennessee.

W. W. Smith, ex '28, is with the Postal Telegraph Co., Charlotte, North Carolina.

Ted Moomaw, ex '25, is selling real estate in Florida.

C. F. Wildman, '23, is working in Baltimore, Maryland.

Ed. O'Connor, ex '26, is located in Rome, Georgia.

Lambda Alpha

One of Lambda Alpha's alumni stepped into a high position in the judiciary of the country with the elevation on January fourth of Samuel J. McKim to the bench of Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, following his election last November.

Marion M. Edmundson, also a Lambda Alpha associate, long associated with the new judge, had the pleasure of presenting the certificate of office to the court.

Judge McKim graduated in the class of 1899, coming to Westminster College from Rankin. Mr. Edmundson, whose home was in McKeesport, graduated in 1901.

Mr. Edmundson paid Judge McKim a marked tribute, in presenting the commission signed by Governor Gifford Pinchot. He

recounted Judge McKim's record as a member of the bar, a former member of the State Legislature, and a citizen. He said Judge McKim had always been true to every trust imposed and had conducted himself in public life with fidelity, courage, and honor. He asserted that his record in the Legislature was one above criticism and that in private life he had been a true friend, his life being one without blemish.

The members of Judge McKim's family and also a number of friends and relatives occupied seats in the jury box. Many flowers were sent to the judge's chambers by admiring friends, and the courtroom was filled to capacity. Many men prominent in public affairs were present.

Other Lambda Men Honored

J. C. Nevin, '91, formerly cashier of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Ohio, has been transferred to the Federal Reserve Bank at Pittsburgh, where he has been made manager.

Reid Kennedy, '89, has been made chairman of the drive for Westminster's Million Dollar Jubilee Fund. The drive was officially opened by a meeting at the William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh. Mr. Kennedy came from his winter home in Florida to attend this meeting, and others showed a similar spirit of loyalty by traveling considerable distances to attend. The purpose of the drive is to raise one million dollars for the purpose of enlarging the faculty and making much needed improvements and enlargements to the buildings of the college in order to care for the increasing student body.

Thomas C. Cochran, '01, formerly district attorney at Mercer, Pennsylvania, and now with a law office in the same town, has announced his candidacy for Congress from his district.

Beta Beta

Harold F. Price just returned to Oxford from a business trip to Tampa, Florida.

A. W. Kincaid, Past Master of 1924-25, visited the chapter for a few days recently.

Another visitor at the house was Roland Francis, '25, who is employed by the Proctor and Gamble Company of Cincinnati.

Gamma Beta

Baptiste Barthe, '17, has recently been appointed as Cashier of E. H. Rollins Company, stock and bond house in San Francisco.

A. L. Adkins, '25, is in the advertising department of the P. G. and E. in San Francisco.

F. A. Polkinghorn, '22, is a transmission engineer for the P. T. and T. He will be remembered by members of others chapters as the author of *California's Hydro-Electric Development* in the October, 1925, issue of THE OMEGAN.

F. V. Tuttle, '23, is also with the P. T. and T.

H. E. Carmichael, '16, is a traveling auditor for the same company.

D. C. Sharpstone, '25, is an instructor in Geology at the University of California. He and Mrs. Sharpstone are living at 2639 Etna Street, Berkeley.

M. L. Dickinson, also married, is a civil engineer for F. H. Tibetts Company, and living in Nevada City, California.

A. L. Mock, '21, is selling heating equipment for W. S. Leland Company, San Francisco. He is corresponding secretary of the associate chapter.

R. O. Ford, '24, is designing radio tubes for the QRS Music Company in San Francisco.

L. E. Martin, '20, is an accountant for the General Electric Company.

J. B. Haley, '15, is Finance Officer, Ninth Corps Area, Fort Mason, San Francisco.

C. A. Lauenstein, '23, is with the Spring Valley Water Company in San Francisco.

L. C. Jopson, '23, is in Sacramento as a hydraulic engineer for the State of California.

Every Wednesday noon the San Francisco contingent of Θ Y Ω alumni meet for luncheon at the Lick grill near the First National Bank building in the city.

Fourteen of the gang who were working in San Francisco started the plan last year and it proved a wonderful success. Among the fellows who most frequently attend are: "Bap" Barthe '17, Howard Carmichael '16, Lem' Dunn '29, Bob Ford '24, Carl Lauenstein '23, "Stew" Menzies '24, Archie Mock '21, Frank Polkinghorn '22, and Chris Snead '24.

Seven alumni members of the Tilicum Club, who are now living in southern California and found it impossible to go to Berkeley to be initiated into Θ Υ Ω were initiated on May twenty-fifth in Los Angeles. Four members of the active chapter, Ray Robinson, '26, T. C. MacSweeney, '26, Sterrett Savage, '26, and Henry Anderson, '27, went to Los Angeles to conduct the initiation. Those who joined were: Sidney A. Anderson, '21; Leslie W. Atwood, '23; John W. Graves, '21; Harold E. Hedger, '24; Robert J. Kadow, '22; Lothar C. Mauer, '22; and Emory S. Snoddy, '25.

Vital Statistics

Engagements

Beta Alpha—Frank H. Linsley, '25, to Miss Grace Griffen.

Theta Alpha—Gordon Drew, '25, to Miss Janet McCullough of Haverhill, Massachusetts.

Paul Morse, '25, to Miss Irma Dunn of Manchester, New Hampshire.

Lambda Alpha—Robert Mehard, '27, to Miss Helen Graham of New Castle, Pennsylvania.

Beta Beta—Edgar C. Larcomb, '28, to Miss Mildred D. Philbrick of Upper Sandusky, Ohio.

Charles Stephenson, '28, to Miss Helen Little of Dayton, Ohio.

Gamma Beta—Henry A. Anderson, '27, to Miss Nadene Bowers of Dallas, Texas.

Marriages

Beta Alpha—Einar D. Johnson, '21, to Miss Hazel Sandlun at Everett, Massachusetts.

Gamma Alpha—Henry J. Steeneck, '21, to Miss Isabell Lillian Spencer, Saturday, November 21, at 3 P.M. at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, New Haven, Connecticut. Brother R. Steeneck was best man.

Theta Alpha—Warren Westgate, '28, to Miss Dorothy E. Small of Claremont, New Hampshire.

Wayne Parkhurst, '24, to Miss Dorothea Brummel of Colebrook, New Hampshire.

Iota Alpha—Peter Shank, '25, to Miss Rosemary Simler of Bellefonte, Pennsylvania, last July at Holidaysburg, Pennsylvania. They are living in Mexia, Texas, where Brother Shank is employed by the Pure Oil Company.

Kappa Alpha—J. P. Booth, '22, to Miss Marjorie Williams on December 26, 1925, at the home of the bride in Winston-Salem. Brother Booth is principal of Leland High School, Leland, North Carolina.

Gamma Beta—William W. Gill, '26, to Miss Barbara Davis secretly last October. They are now living in San Francisco.

Births

Beta Alpha—A daughter, Ann Alden, to Brother and Mrs. George A. Bunyon on November 21, 1925.

A daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Brother and Mrs. Russel A. Reed, December 12, 1925.

Harvard never has changed its name, although it is America's oldest college. Yale, Princeton, Columbia and Pennsylvania were not that at the start. Folks who affect to despise all money not their own criticize little Trinity College down in North Carolina for surrendering its name to get $40,000,000 from James B. Duke.

But when Eli Yale made his donation to the Connecticut College, a part of the bargain was that the name be changed, and it was. And Princeton was neither Princeton nor at Princeton at the start. It was many miles nearer New York when Jonathan Edwards wisely decided to move closer to Philadelphia to what was then the village of Prince Town. The College of New Jersey began at Elizabeth, then moved to Newark.

Columbia was originally King's College, as all schoolboys have heard, but a war made a switch from King to Columbia seem desirable.

For years it was the College of Philadelphia and it was a long time before the man whom Franklin called his "pet enemy," Provost William Smith, ruled over the University of Pennsylvania.

—*New York Herald Tribune*

Gamma Beta Mothers Organize Chapter Auxiliary

The Gamma Beta boys out in California seem to be blessed with a mighty fine bunch of mothers, judging from reports which have been coming east to us.

In September the chapter he'd a Mothers' Day, when the boys had their mothers and sisters at the house for Sunday dinner. At the suggestion of Roy Cummings, '26, the women met and organized a Mothers' Club under the leadership of Mrs. Jessie L. Acres, mother of D. M. Acres, president, and Mary Baker, sister of Gene Baker, secretary-treasurer.

The fine spirit of the new organization is shown in the following message, which appeared in the January issue of the *Pow Wow:*

A Word from Mother

Since education has outgrown the schoolroom and the three "r's" have increased to the whole alphabet, Mother has left the old armed rocker. She no longer awaits the call to usefulness from some future world but is busy proving that usefulness is applicable to the common things of everyday life;—that it has no beginning or end, limitation or restriction.

The mother of today finds no lack of need for the wholesome, genuine love she so freely bestows as she follows her children from the kindergarten through the graded and high schools to that most mysteriously enticing abode known as the sorority or fraternity house. She has stood always as the foundation of our home and we still are unable to build without the foundation.

When the boys of the Θ Υ Ω house decided to have a new home their first request was for a Mothers' Club. Such a club was immediately organized and now stands willing and anxious to help wherever it can, particularly in the promotion of this worthy project. To the old house have already been added new curtains and a bit of decoration which betokens a mother's touch, while each mother's heart and soul are in the building of a strong, active organization, able to meet any need that may be presented to it. Every mother, wife, sister is entitled to membership in this club and is cordially invited to join. The regular meetings occur once each month and the dues are one dollar a semester.

The writer would appreciate the privilege of expressing the pleasure, satisfaction and inspiration which she has found in the work of this club and cordially invites all mothers, wives, and sisters to share this work with her.

It may be here that some of us will need our first tubbing in order that we may exchange the shabby faults of yesterday for the worthwhile new.

Mrs. Jessie L. Acres,
President, Mothers' Club

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Pennsylvania State College will continue to have compulsory chapel, according to a decision handed down by the Board of Trustees after consideration of a Student Council petition for the abolishment of the element of compulsion in daily chapel. This petition was presented after a five-to-one student vote against the existing system.

Agitation against compulsory chapel is of long standing. In 1916 the Student Council petitioned the Board of Trustees to make attendance at chapel services voluntary, but the plea was rejected. At that time, no poll of student sentiment had been taken on the question. In the fall of 1925 the *Collegian*, Penn State's semi-weekly newspaper, held a forum for two weeks, after which the vote was taken which showed that the students were overwhelmingly in favor of the abolishment of compulsion. In spite of this, and the earnest championship of the Student Council, the issue met with defeat at the hands of the Trustees. However, the Board decided to appoint a committee to confer with the students in an attempt to better conditions and improve the services.